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RESPONSE TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH MOTION TO REPORT BACK ON WHAT EFFECT THE ECONOMIC COLLAPSE IN DUBAI WILL HAVE ON THE GRAND AVENUE PROJECT (ADMINISTRATIVE MEMO 77 OF DECEMBER 1, 2009)

On December 1, 2009, on a request by Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich, this office was instructed to report back on what effect the economic collapse in Dubai will have on the Grand Avenue Project. Based on our discussions with the Related Group, the fiscal difficulties currently being experienced in Dubai are not expected to impact the Grand Avenue Project.

Currently, the Grand Avenue Project – Phase I is owned by Grand Avenue Investor, LLC (Grand Avenue Investor Group), Related Grand Avenue, LLC (Related Group), and Istithmar Building FZE. Istithmar Building FZE is 100% owned by Dubai World, which is a holding company that manages and supervises a portfolio of businesses and projects for the Dubai government.

The Related Group has indicated that they have completed the 80% set of working drawings for the Grand Avenue Project - Phase I and have obtained all entitlements. As such, The Related Group has reported that the problems in Dubai will have no impact on their ability to move forward with the project.

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